Minutes of Executive Session May 13, 2015 @ 12:50 PM

Commissioners Present: Chairman Philip Y. Brown, Commissioners Gerald McDonough, Kate Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth Fontaine, John Langan, and Robert McCarthy.

PERAC Staff Present: Executive Director Joseph Connarton, Deputy Executive Director Joseph Martin, Deputy Director/General Counsel John Parsons, Compliance Officer Thomas O'Donnell, Director of Administrative Services Caroline Carcia, and Senior Executive Assistant Kim Boisvert.

Mr. Connarton explained that while preparing to send some files to the archives, we discovered that 32 disability retiree files were missing. The files contained social security numbers, home addresses, health notes, and doctor's notes of retiree's on disability that were in the review period. The office was searched and it is our belief that cleaning personnel threw away the files while removing the daily rubbish. The building's cleaning personnel were interviewed. They put the rubbish in a dumpster and crushed right away, then removed to an incinerator at Resco Waste Management in Saugus, Massachusetts. These files are non-retrievable. This is the first time this has occurred since his employment at PERAC (18 years) and suggested offering the respective individuals a one-year credit monitoring service at the expense of the agency. In addition, he suggested hiring a cleaning company to provide daily cleaning of the office spaces while the offices are open to the general public.

There was a brief discussion and the Commission agreed with Mr. Connarton's recommendation.

A roll call vote was taken to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene in open session at 1:05 PM and was recorded as follows: Chairman Philip Y. Brown YES, Commissioners Gerald McDonough YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, Elizabeth Fontaine YES, John Langan YES, and Robert McCarthy YES.

Approved:

Philip Y. Brown, Chairman

Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission